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CountyReceivesTerrorismGrant

WAUKESHA – Waukesha Countywill receive a \$58,000 federal grant to buy terrorism preparedness equipment as a result of the state's effort togain approval for Wisconsin's Statewide Domestic Preparedness Strategic Plan.

The grant will be used to purch a seprotective, detection, monitoring and communications equipment.

"Wehavebeeninvolvedwit hterrorismpreparednessplanninglongbeforeSeptember 11,"saidJamesMalueg,WaukeshaCounty'sEmergencyManagementDirector."Thisfunding willhelpusupdateourequipmentsothatintheeventofaterroristattackourfirstresponders willhaveaddit ionalresources."

Wis consin's Office of Emergency Management will administer more than \$2.6 million in grant monies from the federal Office of Justice Preparedness to counties and hazardous material teams.